



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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Big Fire in Greenville.

Greenville, Dec. 12.—In a fire that threatened a part of the business district early to-night a horse, buggy and automobile delivery truck, the property of the Gilreath-Durham Co., on South Main street, were destroyed in spite of the efforts of the members of the fire department to rescue them. The horse and vehicle were secured in a woodshed situated in the rear of the Poe Hardware and Supply Co. and the Gilreath-Durham Co., by whom the building was used jointly as a storehouse. In the building was stored a quantity of feed stuff of a highly inflammable nature, and, starting in this, the flames leaped skyward with a glare that lit up that section of the city. Eating through a slight partition the fire exploded a pack of dynamite caps, causing hundreds of spectators to scatter, fearing a dangerous explosion.

No insurance was carried by either of the firms using the shed. The loss of the Poe Hardware and Supply Co. was slight. The Gilreath-Durham Co.'s loss has not yet been estimated.

Baptists Will Erect Hospital.

Bennettsville, Dec. 12.—By a large vote yesterday the Baptist State Convention confirmed the report of the committee which has in charge the building of a State sanitarium in Columbia. The sum of \$30,000 will be expended for this purpose. Some time ago the committee decided upon Columbia as the location of the institution, but the matter was not definitely settled by the convention.

Another interesting matter decided by the convention was the cancellation of all notes against ministerial students who have graduated at Furman University. It was further decided that in the future ministerial students will not be required to give notes for their tuition.

Dr. Riggs President.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 13.—Dr. W. M. Riggs, of Clemson College, was elected president of the S. I. A. A. Association after Dr. W. T. Dudley, of Vanderbilt, for 19 years head of the association, had declined re-election.

"LAW" AND "COURT" FIGHT.

Spartanburg Magistrate and Lawyer Belabor Each Other.

Spartanburg, Dec. 14.—Hundreds of churchgoers were spectators of an exciting encounter between Magistrate Robt. J. Gantt and Cecil C. Wyche, attorney and a member of the Legislature, this morning. The battle was fought in the most conspicuous place on Main street about 11.30 o'clock and is reported to have been caused by an argument over a point of law involved in a case in Magistrate Gantt's court in which Mr. Wyche is counsel for the defendant. They had a telephone conversation on the subject last evening, it is reported, and exchanged sharp words. Chancing to meet on the street this morning, they renewed the argument. Mr. Wyche, it is alleged, made a remark offensive to Mr. Gantt, who struck the lawyer a blow on the head with a light walking stick.

Mr. Wyche, according to the current gossip over the affair, wrenched the cane from the magistrate and soundly belabored him with it. The stick was soon in pieces and the men then fought with their fists. So large a crowd gathered that traffic was blocked. When bystanders attempted to part the combatants, other men interfered, telling the would-be peace makers that the quarrel was none of their affairs and the fight should be allowed to go to a finish. Blood was flowing freely when Lieut. Fleming of the police arrived two or three minutes later and stopped the fight.

The belligerents were taken into a nearby drug store. A charge of disorderly conduct was preferred against them in the mayor's court and each was required to give \$50 bond. Sam J. Nicholls, city attorney, went as surety for both.

Messrs. Gantt and Wyche are well known throughout South Carolina. Mr. Gantt formerly served in the Legislature. He is a son of Larry Gantt, who was one of Senator Tillman's principal lieutenants in the Piedmont section years ago, and more recently has been editor of a newspaper at Whiteville, N. C.

Mr. Wyche is son of Dr. Wyche of Prosperity, a member of the Legislature, and a nephew of Judge Thos. S. Sease, of the Circuit Court. His brother is one of Senator Tillman's secretaries.

ASHLEY CAN'T BE BLUFFED.

Mob Threatened to Storm Jail and Lynch Negro Prisoner.

Anderson, Dec. 12.—Between 50 and 75 men gathered on Church street, near the county jail, to-night at 8.30 o'clock, while three of them, according to report, went to the jail door and made demand on Sheriff Ashley for Will White, the negro who is charged with having stabbed to death Ollie Kinard at Orr Mill village this afternoon. The men, who, it is claimed, were recognized by the sheriff when he answered the alarm at the door, told the officer that they had come for White; that he (Sheriff Ashley) could make a big bluff to convince the public that he tried to save the negro from them, and that the crowd could then take the negro. Sheriff Ashley replied forcibly, it is said, saying that there is no bluff in him; that he had sworn to protect the prisoners and that he intended doing so with all his might. The three men withdrew, one of them remarking that they would be back later to-night, it is said.

The crowd dispersed soon after. It was rumored here at 10 o'clock that a crowd had gathered just south of the city, but the sheriff and his deputies did not give the story any credence. The sheriff had the jail well barricaded, having called in four of his deputies and two city policemen.

Ollie Kinard, a white man, employed in the frame room of the Orr cotton mills, was stabbed to death late to-day by Will White, a negro employed in the picker room of the same mills. Death was instantaneous. The testimony adduced at the inquest is to the effect that Kinard had been drinking and that he, in company with two friends, met White and asked him to accompany them to the woods. Kinard is said to have teased the negro until the negro became angry, and without warning drew his knife and stabbed Kinard to the heart.

White ran off, but was captured, and is in the county jail.

VILLA IN ROLE OF DICTATOR.

Tells Foreign Consuls They Must Obey Constitutional Orders.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 14.—Americans, Germans and Spaniards who today arrived from Chihuahua, Mexico, report that Francisco Villa, the rebel leader, virtually has constituted himself dictator there and that he refused to listen to the representatives of foreign governments.

The refugees asserted that the rebel leader had seized \$5,000,000 worth of property belonging to foreigners, had put to death about 20 Mexican civilians, including Sergeant Sanchez, a lawyer and former State official, and had commanded the American, German and British consuls to obey rebel orders.

Villa seized a large department

224 VOTERS ARE REGISTERED.

The Municipal Contest on January 13th Promises to Be Lively One.

The last few days of the time for registering for the municipal election in Walhalla ran the list up higher than it has ever been, the total numbering 224. This is unquestionably the largest registration list ever made for Walhalla, and exceeds by some fifty certificates the number issued by the Supervisor of Registration when what is usually considered a "hot contest" is to be pulled off. If the interest that was displayed in the matter of registering voters continues up to the day of election we may be reasonably sure of having a "warm day in January" on the 13th.

So far as we have heard there are but two candidates who will seek the office of Mayor—the present incumbent, Mayor W. M. Brown, seeking re-election, and he is being opposed by M. C. Long, Esq. No statement, so far as we know of, has been made relative to the Aldermanic ticket, but it is generally supposed that Mr. Brown's Councilmen will stand for re-election along with him. There will, however, be one place to fill on that ticket, J. N. Badger, a member of the Council, having moved from Walhalla. No announcement, so far as we have heard, has been made as to "naming mates" for Mr. Long. These matters will, however, be decided in the near future for both tickets, and the rule is that as the Aldermanic ticket takes shape interest by the public concentrates, the embers begin to glow, then the blaze appears, and finally the pot boils—and on election day the losing side escapes out of the pot in thin vapor, while the fortunate ones remain inside to boil and stew for two years. The result of an election for municipal officers in Walhalla invariably results in a—what shall we call it?—paradox: The fortunate ones are unfortunate, and the unfortunate ones are fortunate.

Each a bubble!

NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER.

Two Deaths Recorded—Local News.

Westminster, Dec. 16.—Special: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harrison, of Duluth, Ga., spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Anderson, returning to their home Monday. Mr. Harrison is depot agent at Duluth.

Turner Tannery, of the Tabor section of the county, left Monday for Ocmulgee, Okla., to visit his two sons during the Christmas holidays. He will return home in January.

J. R. Cleland, of Madison, was among friends here the first of the week.

Rev. Terry, of Winder, Ga., will preach in the Christian church next Wednesday night at 7.30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Little Willard, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Leathers, is very sick. We hope to hear of his early recovery.

John T. Jenkins and family, of the Hopewell community, left Monday for Selma, Ala., where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Moses Terrell, one of the teachers in the high school, spent last Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cross, of Buford, Ga., visited Mrs. J. S. Vandiver last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. N. A. Myers died at her home in Newry last Thursday. Her remains were brought here and interred at the Old Westminster cemetery on Friday at 3.30 o'clock.

J. D. Adams, father of Mrs. John A. Durham, died at his home in Greenville last Saturday morning. His wife died only about two weeks ago. We join with a host of friends in sympathy with Mrs. Durham and family.

J. W. McGee left this morning for Greenville to attend to matters of business.

No Mandamus for Governor.

Columbia, Dec. 12.—The State Supreme Court last night issued an order dismissing the petition which sought to mandamus Governor Blease to order an election on the question of the annexation of the New Brookland section of Lexington county to Richland county. The order states: "After careful consideration of the petition herein, we are satisfied that a prima facie case is not made out under the authority of *Lahar vs. Croft*, 73 S. C., 407."

The order is signed by the four justices, and at this time means that the court will not have occasion to rule whether or not the Governor can be "mandamus" by the Supreme Court.

store valued at \$1,500,000, owned by French, German, English and Spanish interests, but chiefly by Spanish, and placed in command of the store Gen. Chao, a rebel leader. He also seized a brewery, a clothing factory and all the grocery and other stores owned by Spaniards, valued at \$7,500,000.

He called a meeting of merchants of all nationalities and told them they must pay him large sums of money, aggregating several million dollars, to support the revolution.

JOHN W. ABBOTT IS DEAD.

Respected Citizen of Community Passed Away Suddenly Tuesday.

The news of the death of John W. Abbott, of the Rocky Knoll settlement, a few miles west of Walhalla, came as a shock to many friends in Walhalla yesterday morning. Mr. Abbott had been in apparently the best of health up to noon of Monday, when he was taken with severe pains in his chest, arm and shoulders, rendering him unable to resume his work about the farm in the afternoon. Nothing was thought of his ailment being serious, however, and he retired as usual Monday night. Early Tuesday morning Mr. Abbott complained of the pains in his chest growing worse, and that he found difficulty in breathing, and a messenger was dispatched to Walhalla for a physician, but before the messenger reached town Mr. Abbott had passed away. The cause of his death was congestion of the heart.

John W. Abbott was born in the Rocky Knoll settlement, this county, on the 22d day of November, 1858, being at the time of his death slightly over 55 years of age. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jephtha Abbott, both of whom are dead, his father having died about nine years ago, and his mother having passed away but a few days after his birth. Mr. Abbott was raised in the Abbott home by his cousin, Miss Willie Fountain, who remained in the home of the deceased continuously since taking charge of him as a child.

In early life Mr. Abbott was happily married to Miss Lula White, of Anderson county, their marriage having been solemnized on October 24th, 1880. To this union a large family of children were born, the following sons and daughters surviving: Glenn D. Abbott, of Walhalla; Mrs. Leonard Lee, who resides near town; Mrs. J. S. Colley, Lucien D. Abbott, of Walhalla, and the following younger children still at home: Lena May, Maggie, Eugene and Bessie. He is also survived by his wife.

Mr. Abbott was an upright, honorable citizen, and he will be missed in the home, in the church and the community. He was a church member of the Baptist church, having been for a number of years a deacon in the Rocky Knoll church and superintendent of the Sunday school. His life was open to the world. He was one of those men who acted as his conscience dictated and he had naught of which to be ashamed. Oconee has lost a good citizen in his death, and there are many here and elsewhere who will join with The Courier in extending to the bereaved ones sincere sympathy in their sorrow.

Funeral services were held this morning at 11 o'clock, the interment following in Rocky Knoll cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. L. M. Lyda, of the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. W. W. Abbott, of Liberty, Pickens county, a cousin of the deceased. There was a large attendance of sorrowing relatives and friends to pay the last sad tribute to the deceased.

Caughman's Release Not Relished.

Sumter, Dec. 13.—The release of T. Birnie Caughman by Governor Blease has been much discussed here on the streets, and there seems to be general dissatisfaction among the people that a parole should have been granted, especially so soon after the killing took place and before Caughman commenced to serve his sentence. Since his conviction in October Caughman has been kept in the county jail awaiting the result of an appeal to the State Supreme Court for a new trial.

Last night, when notified of his parole, Caughman requested permission to remain in jail over night, as he was without funds and had no place in town to which he could go. This morning he came up street, where he met and spoke to a number of friends and acquaintances, visited the barber shop and then returned to the jail until time for his train to leave for his home at Smithville, Lee county, about 15 miles north of this city.

Caughman has never seemed to realize the seriousness of the offense of which he was convicted, and his demeanor changed little last night when he was told that he had been granted his freedom. Bateman, who was killed by Caughman, was a staunch Blease man, and many of his friends, it is understood, who are also Blease partisans, deem the Governor's action as unwarranted.

New Switching System.

(Farm and Factory.)

A new switching system is being installed by the Southern and Blue Ridge railroads in the local yards. At present it will be used only for handling trains west of the station, but it is said that it will be extended to include the whole yard. Numerous wrecks have been caused heretofore in handling trains at Fair Play street crossing, and the new system, railroad men think, will decrease this number. A signalling station has just been erected above the depot, and whether or not switches in the lower yards are open can be seen from this station.

OCONEE COTTON MARKET.

Westminster and Newry Lead in Cotton Prices this Week.

Quotations below were secured over phone at 10.30 o'clock this morning:

Westminster:

(By J. G. Breazale.)

Cotton, 13c. Seed, \$26 per ton.

Seneca:

(By Barron-Byrd Co.)

Cotton, 12 3/4 c. Seed, \$28 per ton.

Newry:

(By Courtenay Mfg. Co.)

Cotton, 13c. Seed, \$27 per ton.

West Union:

(By Strother & Phinney.)

Cotton, 12 3/4 c. Seed, \$27 per ton.

Walhalla:

(By C. W. Pitchford.)

Cotton, 12 3/4 c. Seed, \$27 per ton.

Anderson—December 16.

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Killing at Fork Shoals.

(Greenville News, 14th.)

Alec Pruitt was shot and almost instantly killed yesterday afternoon by Clyde Willis, both white, the killing taking place in the Fork Shoals neighborhood about 3 o'clock. Four pistol bullets struck Pruitt, one in the wrist, one in the face, one in the abdomen and one in the side or back. The shooting took place in front of Pruitt's blacksmith shop. Willis is said to have given himself up to Magistrate McCaulay. He came on then to Greenville and was placed in the county jail. No statement could be obtained from him last night. Pruitt was a man with a large family, and a tenant on the place belonging to the father of Clyde Willis. The latter is a well known planter of the Fork Shoals vicinity.

The facts relative to the killing were difficult to ascertain, except insofar as the coroner's inquest is concerned. The result of this inquest was the returning of the verdict "That the said Alec Pruitt came to his death on December 12, 1913, at the hands of Clyde Willis."

Belle Tangoed Fourteen Miles.

A dispatch from Baltimore says: Since the adoption of the latest tango fad, one doesn't ask Baltimore debutantes how long they danced any more. One would not think of doing such a thing. It would be an admission that one's pater was in trade or something low and common like that. Instead one says:

"How many miles did you do to the german to-night, Miss Calvert?"

And after consulting her tango pedometer—or tangometer—she can tell you exactly. For that is the newest fad. The tangometers are distance recorders that are being worn as garter ornaments. After a dance is over the debutantes compare records of the distance traveled.

One young woman proudly asserts that she tangoed 14 miles at a recent tea dance. That is the record to date, but it is thought that it will not stand long. The meters have started a bitter rivalry, and far-sighted professional society people are prophesying that a tango marathon will have to be held to officially settle the question.

Prof. Hand at Oakway.

Prof. W. H. Hand, State Inspector of Rural High Schools, will address the patrons and friends of Oakway High School at Bethel church on Friday, December 19th, at 2 o'clock. He will discuss the problems that confront the school and assist in their solution. After the lecture a hot supper will be served by the Ladies' Missionary Society. A grab-bag, cake walk, candy booth and other attractions will be features of the evening. The public is cordially invited to both functions.

New Regent Hospital Board.

Columbia, Dec. 13.—Governor Blease this morning appointed Jas. A. Summersett, of Columbia, a member of the board of regents of the State Hospital for the Insane, vice Iredell Jones, resigned. The appointment will have to go to the Senate for confirmation. Mr. Summersett at present is secretary of the board of pardons, but he resigned this position on being named as a regent for the asylum. His successor on the board of pardons will be named by the Governor.

Olive Camp, No. 424, W. O. W.

Will hold its next meeting on Saturday night before the third Sunday in this month. All members are earnestly requested to be present, as there are some very important business matters to be attended to.

J. A. Callahan, Clerk.

American Girl in London Riot.

London, Dec. 14.—The American suffragette, Miss Zelle Emerson, of Jackson, Mich., was the central figure of a furious scrimmage this evening between the police and suffragettes and their supporters in the Bow district. Miss Emerson and three men were arrested.

No Substitutes

RETURN to the grocer all substitutes sent you for Royal Baking Powder. There is no substitute for ROYAL. Royal is a pure, cream of tartar baking powder, and healthful. Powders offered as substitutes are made from alum.